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JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF DANIEL KNAUSS AS INTERIM UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

PHOENIX — The Justice Department today announced the appointment of Daniel Knauss to serve as the interim United States Attorney for the District of Arizona. Mr. Knauss will serve on an interim basis until a United States Attorney is nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate.

Mr. Knauss has served as a federal prosecutor in the United States Attorney's Office since 1972. Over the years, he has held a variety of senior leadership positions, including: Chief of the Criminal Section (1974 – 1981), First Assistant United States Attorney (1980 – 1985), Chief Assistant United States Attorney (1985 – 1992); Interim United States Attorney (May – July 1992); First Assistant United States Attorney (1992 - 1997), and Chief Assistant United States Attorney (2005 – present). In these roles, Mr. Knauss has overseen daily operations and supervised the criminal and civil litigation handled by the District of Arizona.

Mr. Knauss received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Arizona.